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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re U. S. Patent No.: 6,845,560 B2  
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HOLLOW RACK SHAFT  
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**REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

It is respectfully requested that a Certificate of Correction be issued for U.S. Patent No. 6,845,560 B2, issued January 25, 2005 for the purpose of correcting errors that occurred in the printing of the patent.

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The printing errors contained in U.S. Patent No. 6,845,560 B2 are set forth below:

Column 6, line 49, “angle  $\alpha$ ” was incorrectly printed as “angle a”. (See page 11, line 4, of the Marked-up Copy of the Substitute Specification filed on July 28, 2003).

Column 8, line 2, “angle  $\alpha$ ” was incorrectly printed as “angle a”. (See page 13, line 6, of the Marked-up Copy of the Substitute Specification filed on July 28, 2003).

Column 10, lines 65-66, “having a flat bottom portion, a pair of semi-circular bottom portions” was incorrectly printed as “has a flat bottom portion, a pair of semi-circular bottom portion”. (See page 2, claim 1, lines 4-5, of the Amendment filed on July 28, 2003).

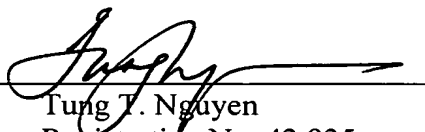
Column 11, line 1, “side walls” was incorrectly printed as “side wall”. (See page 2, claim 1, line 6, of the Amendment filed on July 28, 2003).

Column 11, line 8, “walls to each” was incorrectly printed as “walls each”. (See page 2, claim 1, line 11, of the Amendment filed on July 28, 2003).

The foregoing errors occurred in the printing of the patent, and thus constitute errors by the Patent and Trademark Office.

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It is certified that errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Columns 6 and 8:

Lines 49 and 2, delete "angle a" and insert -- angle  $\alpha$  --.

Column 10:

Lines 65-66, delete "has a flat bottom portion, a pair of semi-circular bottom portion" and insert -- having a flat bottom portion, a pair of semi-circular bottom portions --.

Column 11:

Line 1, delete "side wall" and insert -- side walls --.

Column 11:

Line 8, delete "walls each" and insert -- walls to each --.

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